

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times: Friday, December 23, 2022, at 11 a.m.; Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.; Friday, December 30, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.; Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.; that following the Tuesday, January 3, 2023, pro forma, Senate convene at 12 noon, pursuant to the Constitution; and that Senate present the certificates of election, swear-in elected Members, and proceed to the required live quorum. **Page S10105**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 70 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. EX. 406), Franklin R. Parker, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

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Jose Emilio Esteban, of California, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food Safety.

Rebecca E. Jones Gaston, of Oregon, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

Terrence Edwards, of Maryland, to be Inspector General of the National Reconnaissance Office. (Prior to this action, Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration.)

Douglas J. McKalip, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Milancy Danielle Harris, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense. **Page S10105**

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Record Votes: Sixteen record votes were taken today. (Total—421)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 8 a.m. and adjourned at 6:06 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Friday, December 23, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10105.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 9670–9689; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 1530, were introduced. **Page H10055**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H10056**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Select Committee on Climate Crisis. Report on the Activities of the Select Committee on the Climate Crisis During the One Hundred and Seventeenth Congress (H. Rept. 117–662); and

Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol. Final Report Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (H. Rept. 117–663). **Page H10055**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Katimiin and Aameekyaaraam Sacred Lands Act: S. 4439, to take

certain Federal land located in Siskiyou County, California, and Humboldt County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe;

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Butterfield Overland National Historic Trail Designation Act: S. 3519, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Butterfield Overland National Historic Trail; **Pages H10010–11**

Amending the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to extend terminal lakes assistance: S. 5328, to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to extend terminal lakes assistance; **Pages H10011–12**

Justice for Victims of War Crimes Act: S. 4240, to amend section 2441 of title 18, United States Code, to broaden the scope of individuals subject to prosecution for war crimes; **Pages H10012–13**

Trafficking Victims Prevention and Protection Reauthorization Act: S. 3949, to reauthorize the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000;

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Abolish Trafficking Reauthorization Act: S. 3946, to reauthorize the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2017;

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Protecting American Intellectual Property Act: S. 1294, to authorize the imposition of sanctions with respect to foreign persons that have engaged in significant theft of trade secrets of United States persons;

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State Offices of Rural Health Program Reauthorization Act: S. 4978, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the State offices of rural health program;

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Childhood Cancer Survivorship, Treatment, Access, and Research Reauthorization Act: S. 4120, to maximize discovery, and accelerate development and availability, of promising childhood cancer treatments;

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Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act: S. 1541, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to ensure just and reasonable charges for telephone and advanced communications services in correctional and detention facilities;

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Low Power Protection Act: S. 3405, to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue a rule providing that certain low power television stations may be accorded primary status as Class A television licensees; and

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National Cemeteries Preservation and Protection Act: S. 4949, to amend title 38, United States Code, to address green burial sections in national cemeteries.

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Presidential Tax Filings and Audit Transparency Act: The House passed H.R. 9640, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for examination and disclosure with respect to Presidential income tax returns, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 222 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 539.

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H. Res. 1529, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 9640) and (S. 1942) was agreed to yesterday, December 21st.

National Heritage Area Act: The House passed S. 1942, to standardize the designation of National Heritage Areas, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 326 yeas to 95 nays, Roll No. 540.

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H. Res. 1529, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 9640) and (S. 1942) was agreed to yesterday, December 21st.

Suspensions-Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures. Consideration began Wednesday, December 21st.

Authorizing the leases of up to 99 years for land held in trust for the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation: S. 3773, to authorize the leases of up to 99 years for land held in trust for the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 377 yeas to 42 nays, Roll No. 541;

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Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act: S. 4104, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Hualapai Tribe and certain allottees in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of a water project relating to those water rights claims, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 366 yeas to 55 nays, Roll No. 542;

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Amending the Not Invisible Act:

S. 5087, to amend the Not Invisible Act of 2019 to extend, and provide additional support for, the activities of the Department of the Interior and the Department of Justice Joint Commission on Reducing Violent Crime Against Indians, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 374 yeas to 44 nays, Roll No. 543;

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Native American Language Resource Center Act: S. 989, to establish a Native American language resource center in furtherance of the policy set forth in the Native American Languages Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 342 yeas to 71 nays, Roll No. 544;

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Durbin Feeling Native American Languages Act: S. 1402, to amend the Native American Languages Act to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 337 yeas to 79 nays, Roll No. 545; and

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Student Veteran Emergency Relief Act: Concur in the Senate amendment to H.R. 7939, to make permanent certain educational assistance benefits under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in the case of changes to courses of education by reason of emergency situations, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 380 yeas to 35 nays, Roll No. 546.

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Recess: The House recessed at 6:08 p.m. and reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

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Senate Referrals: S. 1541 was held at the desk. S. 3405 was held at the desk. S. 4439 was held at the desk. S. 4814 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10002.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10029–30, H10031, H10032–33, H10033–34, H10034–35, H10035–36, H10036–37, and H10037–38.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2023

Committee on Rules: Full Committee began a hearing on the Senate Amendment to the House Amendment to the Senate Amendments to H.R. 2617, the “Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023”. Testimony was heard from Chairman DeLauro, and Representatives Granger, Garcia of Texas, Tenney, Correa, and Perlmutter.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see the DAILY DIGEST of Wednesday, December 21, 2022)

H.R. 263, to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–243)

H.R. 1193, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Director of the National Institutes of Health, in consultation with the Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, to establish a program under which the Director of the National Institutes of Health shall support or conduct research on valvular heart disease. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–244)

H.R. 5796, to amend title 35, United States Code, to establish a competition to award certificates that can be redeemed to accelerate certain matters at the Patent and Trademark Office. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–245)

H.R. 7077, to require the United States Fire Administration to conduct on-site investigations of major fires. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–246)

S. 198, to require the Federal Communications Commission to incorporate data on maternal health outcomes into its broadband health maps. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–247)

S. 231, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to develop guidance for firefighters and other emergency response personnel on best practices to protect them from exposure to PFAS and to limit and prevent the release of PFAS into the environment. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–248)

S. 1617, to modify the requirements for the Administrator of the Small Business Administration relating to declaring a disaster in a rural area. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–249)

S. 2796, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide for the eligibility of rural community response pilot programs for funding under the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Grant Program. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–250)

S. 3092, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to improve the provision of certain disaster assistance. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–251)

S. 3115, to remove the 4-year sunset from the Pro bono Work to Empower and Represent Act of 2018. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–252)

S. 3499, to amend the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 to repeal certain obsolete requirements. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–253)

S. 3662, to temporarily increase the cost share authority for aqueous film forming foam input-based testing equipment. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–254)

S. 3875, to require the President to develop and maintain products that show the risk of natural hazards across the United States. Signed on December 20, 2022. (Public Law 117–255)

H.R. 310, to posthumously award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to Glen Doherty, Tyrone Woods, J. Christopher Stevens, and Sean Smith, in recognition of their contributions to the Nation. Signed on December 21, 2022. (Public Law 117–256)

H.R. 2220, to amend title 40, United States Code, to modify the treatment of certain bargain-price options to purchase at less than fair market value. Signed on December 21, 2022. (Public Law 117–257)

H.R. 2930, to enhance protections of Native American tangible cultural heritage. Signed on December 21, 2022. (Public Law 117–258)